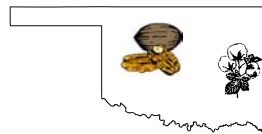




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OKLAHOMA COTTON FORECAST DECREASES FROM LAST MONTH

OKLAHOMA: Cotton production is forecast at 190,000 bales, down 5 percent from last month and down 9 percent from last year. An average yield of 536 pounds per acre is expected from 170,000 harvested acres.

Pecan production in Oklahoma is forecast at 12 million pounds, up 20 percent from last year's output of 10 million pounds.

UNITED STATES: All cotton production is forecast at 18.2 million 480-pound bales, unchanged from November 1 but up 6 percent from last year's production. Yield is expected to average a record high 722 pounds per harvested acre, surpassing the previous record of 708 pounds set in 1994.

The December 1 forecast for 2003 pecan utilized production is 264 million pounds (in-shell basis), down 6 percent from the October 1 forecast but 53 percent above last year's crop.

ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, FINAL 2002 AND DECEMBER 2003

CROP	Unit	Planted Acreage		Harvested Acreage		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2002	Ind 2003	2002	Ind 2003	2002	Ind 2003	2002	Ind 2003
Thousands				Pounds				Thousands	
OKLAHOMA									
All Cotton	1/	200	190	180	170	557	536	209	190
Pecans	Lbs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	10,000	12,000
UNITED STATES									
All Cotton	1/	13,958	13,631	12,427	12,107	665	722	17,209	18,215
Pecans	Lbs.	—	—	—	—	—	—	172,900	263,900

1/ Cotton yield in pounds and production in 480-Lb. bales.

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